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Letter gives Cabela's clues for future

Bass CEO details jobs that will remain in Sidney; 3 stores in state stay open

By PAIGE YOWELL
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Cabela's will retain some jobs in Sidney, Nebraska, but it's still unclear how many will be lost after a letter sent to employees by the chief executive of the retail-

er's new owner, Bass Pro Shops. Bass also will keep open all of Cabela's retail stores in Nebraska — in Sidney, Kearney and La Vista, according to the letter, which was obtained by The World-Herald. Bass Pro Chief Executive Johnny Morris sent the 11-page document to employees in Sidney on Thursday. In it, Morris detailed some of the operations that will stay in Sidney as the combined Bass-Cabela's consolidates its headquarters in Bass' hometown

of Springfield, Missouri. The letter didn't say how many jobs would be cut in Sidney, the city of about 6,800 where Cabela's has employed 2,000 people in recent years. A Bass Pro spokesman wouldn't comment on potential job cuts when contacted Thursday by The World-Herald. The spokesman said Morris visited Sidney on Wednesday and met with Cabela's employees. What will stay? Bass said Thursday in its letter that it will

keep Cabela's information technology division, which employs 125 people. The letter says "significant" accounting operations also will remain in Sidney, although it didn't say what operations or how many people the division would employ. The distribution center in Sidney also will remain. The document said the company is continuing to work on evaluating which jobs will stay in Sidney. See Cabela's: Page 4

Frost's new life: coaching under a microscope

How the Husker coach handles the fishbowl could separate him from his predecessors

By DIRK CHATELAIN
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Jay Foreman walked away with a sour taste, but he held his tongue until he reached Jason Peter's car. "Man, that's messed up." The former Blackshirts — six national championship rings between them — had just left a 2016 Nebraska football practice where they felt like strangers in their old home. In the 1990s, every time an ex-Husker visited practice or meetings, a coach introduced him and encouraged dialogue with current players. It strengthened tradition and culture. It helped on Saturdays, too. A 30-year-old NFL veteran might inspire a 20-year-old sophomore — or offer a tip. But when Foreman and Peter stood on the sideline last year, a security worker told them they needed to move to the end of the field. And as Peter watched the defensive linemen from behind the end zone, no coach called him over, Foreman said. "Here's one of the dominant players from the best era of Nebraska football and you're not going to stop and say, 'This is what you need to strive for?'" Foreman said. "They just went through the whole thing as if he was a student manager." The scene isn't found in a head coach's contract, but it's among the details on a head coach's plate. One more thing Scott Frost must treat with care. Frost's homecoming has stirred passion and stoked nostalgia. For the first time in at least 15 years, all Husker constituencies — former players, administrators, regents, boosters, ordinary fans and, See Frost: Page 2



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REVEALING THE HIDDEN BEAUTY OF BRUTALISM



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I have glanced at the downtown Omaha Police Headquarters many times and had the following thought: Boy, that building is ugly. Now I'm standing in front of that same police headquarters with architect Jeff Day and having another thought: Oh boy, I might be a fool. Day has agreed to take me on a tour of the Brutalist buildings scattered around downtown Omaha. Brutalism is a style of architecture, by

the way, and not the mean word you are supposed to yell as you roll by the police station, the downtown fire station, the main library and several others built in the same style. This tour begins at the cop shop, a building I have smugly dissed for years. Day, an award-winning Omaha architect and former director of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's architecture program, has a slightly different opinion. He says it's the best example of Brutalist architecture in downtown Omaha. "It's a very direct expression of what the building is for, what it does," Day tells me as we stand at 15th and

Howard Streets and he points at the police headquarters, designed by Leo A. Daly and built by Hawkins Construction in 1969 and 1970. "The proportions are nice, the scale is nice ... and the details — the grid, the shadow effects — are, too. You glance and you think it's an eight-story building. It's not! This is an interesting building." Interesting probably is not a word most Omahans would use to describe the Brutalist buildings that dot downtown. These buildings seem to arouse mostly public disgust or indifference, even among people who still mourn the loss of Jobbers Canyon See Hansen: Page 2

Architect Jeff Day, at left above, pointed out examples of Brutalist architecture to World-Herald columnist Matthew Hansen on a walking tour of downtown Omaha. The Omaha police headquarters is a prime example among several in the city.

U.N. AND JERUSALEM Trump threat to nations voting 'against us' has little effect

THE WASHINGTON POST

NEW YORK — The U.N. General Assembly on Thursday overwhelmingly passed a measure rejecting the Trump administration's recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital, a rebuke of a U.S. decision that adversaries and some allies warned could undermine prospects for peace. Despite U.S. threats to cut aid to countries that backed the resolution and even funding for the United Nations, 128 countries voted in favor of the measure. It was a victory for the Palestinians, but not as big as they predicted. Only nine countries — including the United States and Israel — voted against it. But 35 of the 193 member nations abstained and 21 were absent. The other countries supporting Washington were Togo, Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, Marshall Islands, Guatemala and Honduras. The vote in a rare emergency session was a public reproach of an administration that stands apart in the world in recognizing Jerusalem as Israel's capital, a status other governments say should See Jerusalem: Page 4

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